

2008 INTERIM STUDIES, REPORTS, AND REVIEWS

NATURAL RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE, AND ENVIRONMENT INTERIM COMMITTEE

REPORTS AND STUDIES (Required by Statute)

- **Funds expended for Species Protection** (2008 General Session, H.B. 2, Item 123)
The Department of Natural Resources is required to report to the Committee, "*on or before their November, 2008 meeting, providing detailed information on how funds are expended for the Colorado River, June Sucker, and Virgin River plans, including detailed information on contracts issued, deliverables required, and deliverables accomplished.*"
- **Recycling Market Development Zones**
Subsection 63M-1-1103(7) requires the Department of Community and Economic Development to submit an annual written report to the Committee by November 1 of each year: 1) evaluating the effectiveness of the recycling market development zone program; and 2) providing recommendations for legislation.
- **Sale of Raw Whole Milk at Self-owned Retail Stores**
Subsection 4-3-14(7) requires the Department of Health and the Department of Agriculture and Food to report to the Committee before November 30 in 2008 and 2009 on, "*any health problems resulting from the sale of raw whole milk at self-owned retail stores.*"
- **Purchases and Sale of Recycled Paper and Paper Goods**
Subsections 63G-6-406(6) and (14) require the state chief procurement officer to provide a written report to the Committee by November 30 of each year on the quantity of, and costs associated with, paper recycled and purchased by the state, and on monies received from the sale of recycled paper.
- **Energy Advisor Report**
Subsection 63M-4-203(1) requires the governor's energy advisor to annually report to the Committee. The report is to, "*summarize the status and development of the state's energy resources; address the governor's energy advisor's activities . . . ; and recommend any energy-related executive or legislative action the governor's energy advisor considers beneficial to the state, including updates to the state energy policy under Section 63M-4-301.*"
- **Legislative Review of State Energy Policy**
Section 63M-4-302 requires The Committee to, "*review the state energy policy annually and propose any changes to the Legislature.*"

SUNSET ACT REVIEWS AND REPEALERS (Assigned by Legislative Management Committee)

- Title 19, Chapter 2, Air Conservation Act - Repealed July 1, 2009
- Title 19, Chapter 4, Safe Drinking Water Act - Repealed July 1, 2009
- Title 19, Chapter 5, Water Quality Act - Repealed July 1, 2009
- Title 19, Chapter 6, Part 1, Solid and Hazardous Waste Act - Repealed July 1, 2009
- Title 19, Chapter 6, Part 7, Used Oil Management Act - Repealed July 1, 2009
- Subsection 40-10-11(5), Surface Coal Mining Permit Application -- Notice of Violations - Repealed September 30, 2009
- Subsection 40-10-17(2)(t)(ii), Surface Coal Mining -- Successful Revegetation Requirements - Repealed September 30, 2009

2008 MASTER STUDY RESOLUTION (Assigned by Legislative Management Committee)

78. Asbestos Abatement - to study asbestos abatement requirements and standards. (Wiley)
137. Bison Population Issues - to study ways to address excess bison in the Henry Mountains and habitat damage. (Stowell)
138. Division of Water Rights Operations - to study Division of Water Rights issues, including the duties and powers of the State Engineer; whether there should be a policy board within the division; administrative orders issued by the State Engineer and the division; the process for appealing the State Engineer's water rights decisions; potential need for an administrative law judge; potential need for an ombudsman; the adjudicative process for reviewing existing water rights; and whether the water rights forfeiture process should be modified. (Stowell)
139. Education Funding Source - to study whether the money to fund education projects administered by the Department of Agriculture and Food should be paid for with education funds. (Stowell)
140. Elk and Bison and Wildlife Board Issues - to study the duties and makeup of the Wildlife Board, the damage to fences by wildlife, the number of elk and bison compared to the number being counted by the Division of Wildlife Resources, mitigation permits, and other elk and bison issues. (Stowell)
141. Fire Issues - to study funding and other fire issues as outlined in S.B. 251. (Stowell)
142. Fish Hatcheries - to study both private and state-owned fish hatcheries, the effect of state-owned fish hatcheries on private hatcheries, and the markets available to private hatcheries in the state system and other markets. (Stowell)
143. Great Salt Lake Commission - to study the formation of a commission to govern the Great Salt Lake to address water issues, including water quality standards and mercury. (Fife)
144. Groundwater Aquifers - to study Utah's groundwater aquifers, where they are, where they flow, etc. (Davis)
145. Jordan River Recreation - to study enhanced recreational opportunities on the Jordan River through Salt Lake County, what changes and improvements would be needed, and what tributaries could be included. (Hutchings)
146. Land Use Development and Management Act - to study the Utah Land Use Development and Management Act, its history, and potential changes. (Morgan)
147. Natural Resources Statutes - to study creating a natural resources title in the Utah Code and recodifying natural resources-related chapters left in Title 63. (Barrus)
148. Nutrient Impact on Water - to study the impact of nutrient pollution on Utah's waters. (Fife)
149. Recycling Fees for Malt Beverages - to study issues related to malt beverage recycling fees (H.B. 469). (Sandstrom)
150. State Recycling - to study requiring state agencies, state departments, schools, and charter schools in counties of the first and second class to recycle and to have a recycling program. (Cosgrove)
151. Underground Storage Tank Program - to study any needed revisions to the Underground Storage Tank program in the wake of events surrounding a gasoline leak in Gunnison. (Fife)
152. Water Quality Board Permits and Membership - to study the need for legislation authorizing the Water Quality Board to issue permits and to add a board member representing local health departments similar to the provisions included in H.B. 222, Water Quality Board Amendments. (Fife)
153. Water Rights of Piute Indian Tribe - to study whether the water rights of the Indian Peaks Band of the Piute Indian Tribe, granted in 1915, is a valid right and can be used today on their land in Iron County. (Stowell)
154. Water Settlement - to study issues related to the Piute Water Rights Settlement. (Stowell)
155. Wildland Urban Interface - to study the administrative adoption of a Wildland Urban Interface Code. (Stowell)